

**REMARKS**

Claims 10-27 were pending in the present application and are rejected. Claims 10-14, 16-23 and 25-27 are herein amended. Claims 15 and 24 are herein cancelled without prejudice. Applicants sincerely thank Examiners Hossain and Salce for the courtesies extended in the personal interview of May 24, 2007. Applicants' response to the comments contained in the Interview Summary is incorporated herein.

**Applicants' Response to Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102**

**Claims 10-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Sezan et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,236,395).**

It is the position of the Office Action that Sezan discloses the invention as claimed. Sezan is directed at an audio/visual information management system. The pending Office Action states that a rejection based on new grounds has been made. The Office Action is of the position that the multiple items of audiovisual data are analogous to, for example, the multiple "shots" illustrated on the bottom of Figure 8. Additionally, the Examiner is of the position that each individual frame of a shot (the "stacked" rectangles forming the "shots") are analogous to the "slide components" as recited by claim 1.

As discussed in the personal interview, the invention as claimed is a compilation of portions of *multiple* audiovisual items. However, as stated in the Interview Summary, the Examiner interprets the recited "contents" to include multiple portions of one program instead of separate, distinct programs. Therefore, in order to clarify the recited subject matter, Applicants

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herein amend the claims in order to recite "multiple compressed or uncompressed original audio/video *programs*." As clearly disclosed in Figures 5B and 6B, the present invention includes forming a slide of selected portions from multiple programs. On the other hand, in Sezan, the selected portions are selected from a single program. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection based on Sezan be withdrawn. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

For at least the foregoing reasons, the claimed invention distinguishes over the cited art and defines patentable subject matter. Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner deem that any further action by applicants would be desirable to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicants' undersigned attorney.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,  
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